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	A. REGISTRA	NT IDENTIFIC	CATION				
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:	Grant Thornto	on Corporate	e Finance, LLC	OFFICIAL USE ONLY			
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I, Stephen McGee	, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of
my knowledge and belief the accompanying fi Grant Thornton Corporate F.	nancial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of inance, LLC, as
of July 31,	
neither the company nor any partner, propriet	or, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account
classified solely as that of a customer, except a	as follows:
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Notary Public Commonwealth of Massachusetts	Signature
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(c) Statement of Income (Loss).	
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(g) Computation of Net Capital.	noordinated to Claims of Creditors.
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•	n or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
(j) A Reconciliation, including appropriat	e explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the
	Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
• •	and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of
consolidation.  (I) An Oath or Affirmation.	
(ii) All Oath of Affilhation.  (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Rep	port.
	quacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.
**For conditions of confidential treatment of c	certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

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	STATEMENTS LY 31, 2007 AND 2006
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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Member Grant Thornton Corporate Finance, LLC Boston, Massachusetts

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Grant Thornton Corporate Finance, LLC as of July 31, 2007 and 2006 and the related statements of income, changes in member's capital and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects the financial position of Grant Thornton Corporate Finance, LLC as of July 31, 2007 and 2006, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

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August 31, 2007

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## **BALANCE SHEETS**

## **JULY 31, 2007**

## **ASSETS**

CURRENT ACCETS.	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
CURRENT ASSETS:  Cash and cash equivalents  Short-term investments  Accounts receivable	\$ 120,647 71,231 50,000	\$ 198,792 71,665 19,182
TOTAL ASSETS	\$241,878	\$ 289,639
<u>LIABILITIES AND</u>	MEMBER'S EQUITY	
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Accrued expenses	\$7,250_	\$ 8,250
TOTAL LIABILITIES	7,250	8,250
MEMBER'S CAPITAL	234,628_	281,389
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S CAPITAL	\$\$	\$ 289,639

## **STATEMENTS OF INCOME**

## YEARS ENDED JULY 31, 2007 AND 2006

DEVENIUS	<u> 2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
REVENUES: Net fee income	\$ 2,022,962	\$ 3,183,796
EXPENSES: Selling, general and administrative expenses	26,691	31,424
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	1,996,271	3,152,372
OTHER INCOME: Interest income	3,128	5,172
NET INCOME	\$ 1,999,399	\$ 3,157,544

## STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S CAPITAL

## YEARS ENDED JULY 31, 2007 AND 2006

BALANCE AT AUGUST 1, 2005	\$ 258,459
Net income	3,157,544
Distributions	(3,134,614)
BALANCE AT JULY 31, 2006	281,389
Net income	1,999,399
Distributions	(2,046,160)
BALANCE AT JULY 31, 2007	\$ 234,628

## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## YEARS ENDED JULY 31, 2007 AND 2006

## INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	<u>2007</u>		<u>2006</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income \$	1,999,399	\$	3,157,544
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net			
cash provided by operating activities:			
Changes in certain assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	(30,818)		41,362
Accrued expenses	(1,000)		3,250
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,967,581		3,202,156
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from short-term investments, net	434		71,325
Net cash provided by investing activities	434	,	71,325
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Distributions to member	(2,046,160)	•	(3,134,614)
Net cash used in financing activities	(2,046,160)		(3,134,614)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(78,145)		138,867
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	198,792		59,925
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR \$	120,647	\$	198,792

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEARS ENDED JULY 31, 2007 AND 2006

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

<u>Nature of Operations</u> - The Company was organized on November 30, 2001 and commenced active operations on September 13, 2002. Its principal business activity is to provide investment banking services including advising and managing the sale of private enterprises and non-core subsidiaries or divisions, raising capital and refinancing, advising and managing the acquisition of businesses, and providing strategic options advice.

<u>Estimates</u> - Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing these financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were used.

<u>Cash Equivalents</u> - Cash equivalents consist of highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Accounts Receivable - Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through a charge to earnings and a credit to a valuation allowance based on its assessment of the current status of individual accounts. Balances that are still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a charge to the valuation allowance and a credit to accounts receivable.

<u>Short-term Investments</u> – Short-term investments consist principally of U.S. Treasury Bills with maturities between three months and two years. Debt securities that the Company has the ability and intent to hold until maturity are accounted for as held-to-maturity securities and are carried at amortized cost.

Revenue Recognition - Commission revenues are recognized on a trade date basis.

<u>Income Taxes</u> - The Company does not pay federal and state income taxes on its taxable income. Instead, the members are liable for individual federal and state income taxes on their proportionate share of the Company's taxable income.

<u>Concentration of Credit Risk</u> – Financial instruments which potentially subject the Company to concentration of credit risk consist principally of temporary cash investments and short-term investments. The Company places its temporary cash investments and marketable securities with high credit financial institutions. However, a portion of temporary cash investments may exceed FDIC insured levels from time to time. The Company monitors the condition of the financial institutions in which it invests.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **YEARS ENDED JULY 31, 2007 AND 2006**

#### Note 2 - Net Capital Requirement

As a broker-dealer, the Company is subject to the net capital provisions of Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Uniform Net Capital Rule). The Company computes its net capital under the aggregate indebtedness method which requires the Company to maintain minimum net capital, as defined, equal to the greater of 6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness, as defined, or \$5,000. At July 31, 2007, the Company had net capital of \$184,628, which was in excess of its requirement of \$5,000 by \$179,628.

#### Note 3 - Short-term Investments

At July 31, 2007 and 2006, investments in held-to-maturity debt securities were as follows:

	<u>2007</u>					
			Amortized			Amortized
	<u>Fair Value</u>		Cost	Fair Value		Cost
U.S. Treasury Bills						
(maturing in one year or less)	\$ 71,231	\$	71,231	\$ 71,665	\$	71,665

#### Note 4 - Related Party Transactions

Expense Sharing - The Company has entered into an Expense Sharing Agreement with its sole member, Grant Thornton LLP whereby Grant Thornton LLP will provide office space to the Company. In addition, Grant Thornton LLP will be responsible for all the normal overhead expenses relating to the everyday operation of the Company including payroll, insurance, advertising, employee benefits and travel and entertainment.

<u>Fee Income</u> - Revenues are reported net of certain fees charged by a German affiliate, Grant Thornton GmbH, for investment banking services. For the year ended July 31, 2007, fees charged by Grant Thornton GmbH amounted to \$67,000. There were no fees incurred during the year ended July 31, 2006.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5

Member Grant Thornton Corporate Finance, LLC Boston, Massachusetts

We have audited the financial statements of Grant Thornton Corporate Finance, LLC as of July 31, 2007 and 2006 and for the years then ended and have issued our report thereon dated August 31, 2007. Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained on pages 9 and 10 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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## COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## **JULY 31, 2007**

#### **NET CAPITAL**

Member's equity at July 31, 2007 Add:	\$	234,628
A. Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of net capital		
B. Other (deductions) or allowable credits - deferred income taxes payable		<u>-</u>
Total capital and allowable subordinated liabilities		234,628
Deductions and/or charges:		
A. Non-allowable assets		50,000
Haircuts on securities: C. Trading and investment securities - exempted securities		<u> </u>
Net capital	\$	184,628
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS		
Items included in the accompanying balance sheet		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	7,250
Total aggregate indebtedness	\$	7,250
COMPUTATION OF BASIC NET CAPITAL REQUIREM	ENT	
1. Minimum net capital requirement		
(6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness of \$5,000)	\$ <u></u>	483
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<ol> <li>Minimum net capital requirement of the Company</li> <li>Net capital requirement (greater of 1 or 2 above)</li> </ol>	\$	5,000
<ol> <li>Minimum net capital requirement of the Company</li> <li>Net capital requirement (greater of 1 or 2 above)</li> <li>Excess net capital</li> </ol>	\$ <u>=</u> \$ <u>=</u>	5,000 179,628
<ol> <li>Minimum net capital requirement of the Company</li> <li>Net capital requirement (greater of 1 or 2 above)</li> <li>Excess net capital</li> <li>Excess net capital at 1000%</li> </ol>	\$ <u></u>	5,000 179,628 183,903
<ol> <li>Minimum net capital requirement of the Company</li> <li>Net capital requirement (greater of 1 or 2 above)</li> <li>Excess net capital</li> <li>Excess net capital at 1000%</li> <li>Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital</li> </ol>	\$ = S = S = S = S = S = S = S = S = S =	5,000 179,628 183,903 .04 to 1
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See Independent Auditors' Report on Accompanying Information.

# COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL UNDER SEC RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### **JULY 31, 2007**

The Company claims exemption from Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission under paragraph (k) (2) (i) of that rule. During the year ended July 31, 2007, the Company was in compliance with the conditions of the exemption.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5

Member Grant Thornton Corporate Finance, LLC Boston, Massachusetts

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Grant Thornton Corporate Finance, LLC (the "Company") as of July 31, 2007 and for the year then ended, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), we have made a study of the practices and procedures (including tests of compliance with such practices and procedures) followed by the Company that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g); (1) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and the procedures for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of rule 15c3-3. We did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company, (1) in complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; or (2) in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13, because the Company does not carry security accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the Commission's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of an internal control structure and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

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Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure or the practices and procedures referred to above, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected timely by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involved in the internal control structure, including procedures for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above. The Company was in compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3 as of July 31, 2007 and no facts came to our attention indicating that such conditions had not been complied with during the year then ended.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the Commission to be adequate for its purpose in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at July 31, 2007 to meet the Commission's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. and other regulatory agencies which rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and should not be used for any other purpose.

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Wakefield, Massachusetts August 31, 2007

